

6SF-PE WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
January 11, 2009 – January 17, 2009

RESPONSE

Emergency Response

Response Duty Officer: Served as RDO from January 10th - 16th. No responses were logged. Worked on preparations within R6 for the Presidential Inauguration to be held January 20th. **William Rhotenberry, 214-665-8372**

Removal

***Arkansas Plating Site, Fort Smith, AR:** Final draft of the Action Memo was prepared this week. Action levels for the 3 contaminants of concern (chromium, lead, cyanide) were proposed and sent to ATSDR for their concurrence. Discussions with management indicate that funding should be available to begin time-critical removal action in February or March. Still plan to have signature on the Action Memo by end of January. **Mike McAteer, 214-354-9371**

Battery Reclamation Inc., Pecos, TX: Finalized Removal Assessment Report for this site and will now make a determination for a time critical removal action. **William Rhotenberry, 214-665-8372**

Sunoco Logistics Morris Station Spill Report, Morris, OK: Began review of draft final report for the 1000 barrel crude oil spill from a pipeline near Morris, OK which occurred November 16th, 2008. **William Rhotenberry, 214-665-8372**

Louisiana Abandoned Oil Sites Map, Dallas, TX: Created a map of abandoned oil sites in the state of Louisiana for Chris Ruhl. **David Roach, USGS Geospatial Liaison, 214-665-2107**

Westbank Asbestos Removal Map, Dallas, TX: Created a map displaying residences in New Orleans that were part of the Westbank Removal action for John Martin. **David Roach, USGS Geospatial Liaison, 214-665-2107**

Matagorda Island Radiation, Matagorda, TX: Worked on putting together the final report and packet to send to ATSDR for the final health consultation. Worked with START to finalize spreadsheet for real time readings from the Phase 2 Assessment. **Nicolas Brescia, 214-665-2291**

Chiltipin Creek, Sinton, TX: Reviewed invoices submitted from the Texas Railroad Commission on work completed on the project dating back to 2004. Worked with OSC Richard Franklin on invoice questions. Copied the invoice packet and submitted to the USCG for approval. **Nicolas Brescia, 214-665-2291**

PLANNING

***LEPC Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas:** Conducted the 12th Annual Region 6 LEPC Conference in Corpus Christi. Approximately 180 local and state representatives attended the meeting. We received very good comments on the conference and the presentations given. **Steve Mason, 214-665-2276**

***NIMS Integration Team:** Attended NIT national workgroup meeting in Gulf Breeze, Florida. Numerous topics were discussed which will be condensed and used for briefing PRB Management including ICS 213 RR Ordering Process, REOC Manual Guidance, IMT Certification and Qualifications, and scheduling this year's ICS courses. **John Martin, 214-665-6748**

***Regional Improvement Planning Workshop (IPW):** Attended the Regional Improvement Planning Workshop (IPW) through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency located in Denton, Texas. The IPW provided a forum to review corrective action items gleaned from the previous year's After Action Reports (AARs) of interagency, State, Tribal, and Urban Area exercises and real-world events. The improvement plan review will drive the identification and prioritization of planning priorities and capabilities which, in turn, will drive the selection of training and exercises at the Training and Exercise Planning Workshop. **Karen McCormick, 214-665-8365**

REOC Manual: Continued working and coordinating with START contractor on the updated development of a REOC Manual incorporating the NIT's guidance and recent lessons learned from hurricane's Gustav and Ike. **John Martin, 214-665-6748**

Regional Annual LEPC Conference, Corpus Christi, TX: Attended the LEPC Conference and presented on two subjects. Delivered a briefing with the TCEQ on how to respond to a incident and delivered a briefing on what is required by the USEPA on an Ethanol spill response. **Nicolas Brescia, 214-665-2291**

Contaminated Debris Interagency Workshop: Reviewed FEMA's edits to the Contaminated Debris Interagency MOU. **Nancy Jones 214-665-8041**

LEPC Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas: Attended the Region 6 LEPC Conference in Corpus Christi. Gave a short presentation on E-Plan. Following the presentation the new Hazmat Coordinator for the state of New Mexico requested that an appointment be set up to discuss E-Plan with him and other new Emergency Management personnel. **Jack Stark, 214-665-2772**

EPA Freshwater Spills Symposium, St. Louis, MO: Per request from headquarters, provided abstracts for Coffeyville Oil Spill and BMG Ojito Arroyo sites. **Jhana Enders, 214-665-6654**

Equipment Maintenance: Developed draft technical evaluation criteria for upcoming warehouse maintenance contract. **Nancy Jones 214-665-8041**

PREPAREDNESS

Training

Training: Continued working on ERTTP classes in Oklahoma and Louisiana (Chemistry for Environmental Professionals), Louisiana and Arkansas (AMFER), Texas (Radiation Safety), Oklahoma (Safety and Health Decision Making for Managers). Assisted with the in-house CERCLA class “Warrant Authority Training.” **Keith Reddick, 214-665-8338**

OSC Readiness Training: Prepared PowerPoint presentations for Debris Management course. **Nancy Jones 214-665-8041**

OSC Warrant Training, Dallas, TX: Attended three days (24 hours) of the training as a refresher and to put towards the 40 hour contract training. **Jhana Enders, 214-665-6654/Jim Staves, 214-665-7433**

Exercises

No exercises to report.

MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATIVE

Management/Administrative: Submitted Team Weekly Activity Report. Participated in third week of Leadership Development training. Training focused on the psychology of leadership and leading change. Ensured all OSCs and response assets were optimally prepared and postured for Inauguration activities. **Craig Carroll, 214-665-2220**

USGS 2009 Category 7 CAP Review Team: Assigned to the USGS 2009 National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) Category 7 Cooperative Agreement Program (CAP) review team. As a member of this team, I will review applications from organizations from six different states, and make recommendations on which organizations should receive USGS sponsored CAP funding. **David Roach, USGS Geospatial Liaison, 214-665-2107**

DHS ICS Certification Requirements: Provided information via email to Sam Becker on DHS and EPA clarifications and policy for agency representatives and responders for taking ICS 100, 200, 700, and 800. **Karen McCormick, 214-665-8365**

Quartz Mountain Exercise: Lengthy email to Broyles, Petersen and Carroll on status of Quartz Mountain Exercise. **Karen McCormick, 214-665-8365**

IT Support: Provided technical support to personnel in the REOC and the field. Participated in the ERTG telemetry workgroup conference call where we reported on the research into multi-gas sensors. Recommended that performance criteria be ratified and submitted to industry as an RFI. Assisted OSC Readiness Training contractor with WebEOC training material for NRC reports. **Ken Ferguson, IT Support Technician, 214-665-9708**

RRT/LEPC: Categorizing webpages of needed information by class requests anticipated. **Bob Wells, 214-665-7508**

Administrative: Graphics for Mayor's retirement reception. **Don Markham, 214-665-6675**

Administrative: Assisted with registration at LEPC Conference in Corpus Christi, TX. Completed travel arrangements for RRT meeting and OSC Readiness Training. Collected and delivered NOWCC time sheets. **Betty West, 214-665-2277**